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RAILROAD TIME TABLES.

ATCHINSON, TOPEKA & SANTA FE.

GOING EAST.

No. 365, Atlantic Ex. 5:58 p. m.
No. 6, Eastern Ex. 9:50 a. m.
No. 46, way freight 12:10 p. m.

GOING WEST.

No. 45, way freight 10:30 a. m.
No. 5, Denver and Utah Ex. 6:30 p. m.
No. 1, California Ex. 11:30 p. m.
No. 367 9:18 a. m.

CHICAGO, KANSAS & WESTERN.

LEAVES.

Express 10:15 a. m.

ARRIVES.

Express 5:35 p. m.

W. TOPEKA, Agent.

MISSOURI PACIFIC.

ARRIVES.

St. Louis Express 11:00 p. m.
Colorado Express 6:30 a. m.

DEPARTS.

St. Louis Express 5:05 a. m.
Colorado Express 9:30 p. m.
All trains daily. J. RASOR, Agent.

KEENE & SCROGIN

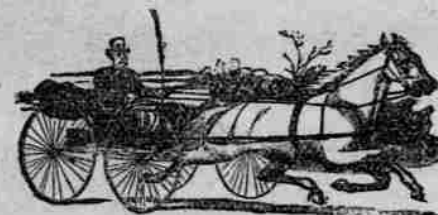
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or both, would brighten up your dingy home wonderfully. We go through this world but once, and are then a long time dead. Why not make our homes pleasant?

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I am in that business, and guarantee satisfaction, for I know how.

... AXELL WEMMERGREN.

A Happy New Year!

1896! How swiftly the wheels of time revolve! How many are better off—morally, financially or otherwise—than when 1895 was ushered in? Perhaps a retrospect would cause many a cheek to blush, not only for the things done which should have been left undone, but for the things left undone which should have been done. Dear reader, are you satisfied with the achievements of 1895? Of course, the answer must be in the negative. Could you not have done better? No doubt of it. You are one year nearer the end of life's journey. Can you not profit by the experiences of 1895? Let the resolution proposed for 1896 be faithfully carried into execution, and this time one year hence you will feel the better therefor.

Frank Greene visited La Crosse last week.

M. B. Fitts and son returned from Illinois Tuesday.

Mrs. James Claytoun returned home to Topeka Tuesday.

Druggists report the pill business very brisk since the holidays.

The Cosmopolitan Magazine and the DEMOCRAT each one year for \$1.90.

W. H. Brown leaves today for Denver, where he will spend the winter.

B. L. Peugh and Miss Emily Stanley of Ellinwood were granted matrimonial parchment Tuesday.

Ralph Aiken, assistant in the kindergarten school of Mrs. Wood, spent the holidays in Rush county.

The poultry raisers of Rice county will hold their fifth annual exhibition at Lyons January 9, 10 and 11.

C. H. Branch, formerly a well known Missouri Pacific conductor, is now on the Santa Fe, eastern division.

C. Samuels and wife entertained friends Monday evening in honor of their fifteenth wedding anniversary.

Will Bunting went to Hutchinson Tuesday in the interest of the Collier Publishing company. We are pleased to learn that Will is having good success in that line of work.

Nickerson Argosy: George O'Brien and wife are the guests of his parents at Great Bend this week. "Five Mile" Stevens is punching tickets on trains 367 and 368 during the absence of Conductor Johnson.

Marriage licenses were yesterday granted to C. C. Christianson and Miss Minnie Koelsch of Ellinwood and C. Donald of Otis and Miss Amelia Lichter of Olmitz, the latter couple being married by the probate judge.

Mrs. John O'Reilly of Aspen, Colo., came in yesterday for a visit with her brother, Billy Coles. While enroute a thief snatched her pocketbook in the depot at Denver and escaped with it. The purse contained \$20, her railroad ticket and trunk check.

C. L. Hobart has leased the Hoisington Dispatch, and takes charge this week. We welcome Charley to the ranks. The people of Hoisington will find him a hustler with a great nose for news, a gentleman in all that the term means and an artist in the printing line. Here's hopin'.

Good for the Boy!

Most of the people now living in this city remember Mel Champion, a shoemaker, who left about four years ago and went to Findley, Ohio, where for a time he engaged in the saloon and hotel business with his brother, John. Their resort in Findley was broken up and they went to Gas City, Ind. The 10-year old son of John Champion has long been opposed to the continuance of his father in the saloon business. On Saturday night, December 6, there was a row in the saloon and the boy decided to adopt extreme measures. The house in which the saloon is located was left to the boy by his mother, and he locked the doors and refused to surrender the keys. The father has no lease and the saloon remains closed. The people of the town are backing the boy, and it is believed Champion will abandon the business.

A. U. R. Livesay visited in Wichita last week.

The DEMOCRAT and Farm News one year for \$1.15.

Mrs. M. P. Parker is visiting her parents at Raymond.

The DEMOCRAT and Three-Times-a-Week New Work for \$1.70.

W. Ken Robertson will soon move his family to this city from Halstead.

Mrs. S. W. Martin (nee May Dawson) of Canon City, Colo., is visiting in the city.

Samuel Beck and son Charles of Philadelphia visited during the holidays with H. Caro.

Tom and Jerry spent the holidays with the boys. They are popular with a great many of our people.

J. S. Mott and Mrs. Elizabeth McCann of Macksville, Stafford county, were married by Judge McCorkle last Friday.

L. L. Dudley of this city and Miss Maggie Ward were married at the bride's home in Lakin township yesterday by Rev. Davis.

W. H. Russell, commander-in-chief of the Sons of Veterans, was married on Christmas at Rush Center to Miss Bertha E. Smith.

On Tuesday a license to marry was granted J. M. Livesay and Miss Grace Gustin, two estimable young people of the Galatia neighborhood.

Among those who attended the annual meeting of the State Teachers' association at Topeka last week were Prof. Stryker, Prof. Smith, Miss Ella Day, Mrs. Anna Parker and Miss Etta Frey.

Years ago a horse dentist was something of a novelty, but now they are very common. Yet there are not as many of them as there should be, when we take into consideration that the horse's teeth should have as much attention as those of the human family.

We must call the attention of correspondents to the fact that items which have appeared in the DEMOCRAT will not appear later as correspondence. If we have an item in type for the local news columns we shall omit it in the correspondence. We never knowingly duplicate an item.

Will F. Welton left Tuesday morning for Kansas City, where he has a lucrative position. Notwithstanding the fact that Billie is a brother of the writer, he is one of the best printers in the country, and we were sorry to see him go, but the offer he received was too flattering to be resisted. Meanwhile his big brother will continue to get out the best paper in the county at the old stand.

War Sure!

Three boys (?) stood on Allen's corner Saturday discussing President Cleveland's Venezuela message. After each one had thrown the search light of his experience on the past, present and future, the unanimous conclusion was reached that Uncle Sam was just aching to lick Johnny Bull, and Sam was only waiting for Johnnie to knock the chip off his shoulder before a general scrap followed, during which engagement Johnnie Bull would yell enough with a broken nose to offset the black eye he got in 1776 and 1812. These wisacre boys were none other than Jimmie Savage, Johnnie Tilton and George Thatcher.

A Word to the Boys.

Boys, we want to say a word to you, and especially to you who have sisters who are young ladies, or who soon will be. Did you ever stop as you came out of church and lined up on either side of the entrance? If so, did you ever notice the silly, sickening, school-boy twaddle of the other boys, or probably your companions, as probably your sister or someone's sister came along? If you have, and you do not disapprove of it by your absence, you are not worthy the name of brother. Boys, be gentlemanly, and the girls will respect you more, humanity will respect you more and you will respect yourself more than you do now.

Admitted to the Bar.

The Wichita Beacon of Saturday announces that on that day Henry W. Huttman stood up before Judge Reed and took the necessary oath to make him a full fledged member at the bar. Henry's many friends in this county, where he spent his boyhood days, extend congratulations. No one has known Henry Huttman and not been charmed with his manly bearing and intellectual force and impressed with the fact that he was destined to ascend the ladder of fame and whittle his name on the top round.

He has pursued his studies under Hon. W. E. Stanley and the Wichita papers are of our opinion above expressed—that he will make his mark in the world. His great personal popularity will secure him business and he takes to the law as naturally as a duck takes to water. He is the descendant of a long line of jurists. His grandfather, for whom he was named, was a noted judge in Prussia and a graduate of Heidelberg and Jena universities, and the family has had many distinguished lawyers.

Mr. Huttman will continue to act as deputy revenue collector to the end of his term, after which he will devote his entire attention to the law.

Railroad Taxes.

The following statement shows the total amount of taxes levied upon railroad property in this county for all purposes, as assessed by the State Board of Railroad Assessors: A. T. & S. F., \$9929.37; C. & K. & W., \$2681.86; M. & M. branch, \$1001.96; Missouri Pacific, \$7557.10; Hoisington branch \$1646.85; Pullman cars on Santa Fe \$63.33; Pullman cars on Missouri Pacific, \$32.25; total, \$22,912.72.

Quite a Romance.

A romantic story comes from over the line in Stafford county. A man from Colorado came into the neighborhood on a visit about three weeks ago. He arrived there on Thursday, and on the following Sunday attended church at Hudson. There he met a young lady, and during the service "they at once took to each other." He accompanied her home, and on the way made love to her, proposed and was accepted. At noon Monday they went to St. John and were married and took the train for Colorado.

It Is a Farce.

A representative of a large brewing establishment at St. Louis was in the city Monday. In an interview with the editor of this paper he was asked "What is the relative amount of beer sold in Kansas by your firm compared with your sales in Missouri; is it less or greater?"

"We sell in Kansas a third more in proportion to population than we do in Missouri," he replied.

This is the usual answer that representatives of wholesale liquor houses make relative to their sales in this state, and yet we are told every day that prohibition is a success.

Excursions.

Annual meeting of the Grand Lodge, A. O. U. W., of Kansas, at Leavenworth, Kansas, February 21 to March 1, 1896. Fare and one third on certificate plan from points in Kansas. Certificate to be signed by E. M. Ford, grand recorder, Emporia, Kansas and G. J. Chaplin, Agent A. T. & S. F. R. Co. joint agent.

Annual meeting of the State Board of Agriculture, State Swine Breeder's Association, State Poultry Association and Improved Stock Breeder's Association at Topeka, Kan., January 6th to January 11, 1896. Fare and one third on certificate plan from points in Kansas. Certificate to be signed by F. D. Coburn, secretary, Capital building, Topeka, Kan., F. A. Lewis, Agent Union Pacific Railway, Joint Agent.

Annual meeting of the Masonic Grand Bodies of Kansas, at Wichita, Kansas, February 15-19, good for return on or before February 24, 1896.

For full particulars concerning above excursions call on.

WM. KEN ROBERTSON, Agt.
A. T. & S. F. R. R.

S. R. Bunnell and Pearl Ruark were wedded on Christmas day.

James L. Armstrong and Miss Effie Lucas were married on Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hallowell went to Ellinwood Saturday to visit their daughter.

Miss Sadie Price has gone to Fort Lewis, Col., to teach in the Indian schools.

Harry Nelson, formerly pharmacist at Lundblade's, has gone home to Superior, Neb.

Miss Mary McTaggart returned from Dodge City Friday, where she visited her sister.

E. L. Hotchkiss has sold a ten foot strip off his Broadway residence lot to his neighbor, Mr. Barker.

The DEMOCRAT will be pleased if the several ministers of the city will take it upon themselves to furnish us with the announcement of the respective Sunday subjects.

A number of the old soldier boys surprised Rev. Schnacke Friday evening and had a most pleasant time. The vets are doing much toward solving the problem of how to put in the long evenings profitably.

Barton County Taxes.

Following is a statement of the amount of taxes levied and the financial condition of this county for the year 1895: State taxes \$12,340.68; county taxes, \$28,188.29; city taxes, \$7,998.78; township taxes, \$10,347.68; school district taxes, \$38,988.44; special surveyor's tax, \$87.50; special sidewalk tax, \$44.41; rate per cent on \$100, \$3.7941; amount warrants outstanding \$3,623.39; bonded indebtedness \$35,000; Total \$8,623.39; Total amount taxable property \$2,613,022.

Knights of Columbia.

Great Bend Lodge No. 88, Knights of Columbia, have elected the following officers for the ensuing year, to be installed January 10:

P. C., A. H. Schaeffer.
C., G. W. Moore.
V. C., L. E. Simpson.
L. C., Theo Dahm.
R., George Crumback.
T., G. H. Hulme.
S. B., W. P. Cone.
M., J. G. Frank.
G., I. N. Woodward.
S., G. N. Moses.
M. E., S. J. Shaw.
Representative, George Crumback.
Alternate, G. H. Hulme.

Kleptomaniacs in Great Bend.

There are "kleptomaniacs in Great Bend, and there are thieves—one and the same thing. A kleptomaniac is a person of social standing and the thief a person less favored socially. With the former thievery is a disease—while with the latter it is low moral training and general cussedness.

During the holiday rush the two leading stores of this city lost a great deal by shoplifters, and were they so disposed could create a sensation by giving the names of people who have been caught in the act of stealing small articles. Some of these people cut quite a swath in society and church circles.

Announcement.

My friends and the public in general are hereby respectfully informed that I have removed my office to room 23, over the postoffice, in the Fair building, where I will be pleased to have them call on me. Office hours from 10 a. m. to 2 p. m., except Sundays.

DR. T. F. BLANKE,
German Homoeopathic Physician.

Excursion to Kansas City, Mo. January 14-17, 1896—Annual meeting of Western Retail Implement and Vehicle Dealers' Association. Fare one and one-third on certificate plan from points in Kansas; certificates to be signed by H. J. Hodge, Secretary, Abilene, Kansas.

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Children Cry for
Pitcher's Castoria.